1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
20	Punjab	17.76	7.35	15.12	6.50	2.64	0.85
21	Rajasthan	94.68	33.82	87.38	47.51	7.30	-13.69
22	Sikkim	1.81	0.03	1.12	0.02	0.69	0.01
23	Tamil Nadu	121.7	80.4	76.50	69.13	45.20	11.27
24	Tripura	11.41	0.38	6.18	0.20	5.23	0.18
25	Uttar Pradesh (including Uttarakhand)	496.17	108.28	500.11	125.88	-3.94	-17.59
26	West Bengal	209.9	44.66	173.22	35.14	36.68	9.52
27	A and N Island	0.73	0.33	0.60	0.32	0.13	0.01
28	Chandigarh	0.07	0.73	0.08	0.67	-0.01	0.06
29	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.72	0.06	0.68	0.15	0.04	-0.09
30	Daman anad Diu	0.03	0.15	0.07	0.14	-0.04	0.01
31	Lakshadweep	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.02
32	Pondicherry	0.93	2.38	0.78	1.59	0.15	0.79
	All India:	2440.31	763.37	2209.24	807.96	231.07	-44.59

URP consumption = Uniform Recall Period consumption in which the consumer expenditure data for all the items are collected from 30-day recall period.

Notes:

1. Poverty Ratio of Assam is used for Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura.
2. Poverty Line of Maharashtra and expenditure distribution of Goa is used to estimate poverty ratio of Goa.
3. Poverty Ratio of Tamil Nadu is used for Pondicherry and A and N Island.
4. Urban Poverty Ratio of Punjab used for both rural and urban poverty of Chandigarh.
5. Poverty Line of Maharashtra and expenditure distribution of Dadra and Nagar Haveli is used to estimate poverty ratio of Dadra & Nagar Haveli. Poverty Ratio of Goa is used for Daman and Diu.
6. Poverty Ratio of Kerala is used for Lakshadweep.

Growth rate of service sector

†2558. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the growth rate of service sector during the last five years and the share of the same in Gross Domestic Product; and

(b) to what extent the skilled man-power is needed to maintain the growth rate of health, information technology, education, legal services and tourism etc. sectors and to what extent it is available in India?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) The growth rate and share of service sector in the GDP during the last five years (2002-03 to 2006-07) is given in the following table.

Growth rates and Share of Service Sector

Year	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Growth Rate (%) Share	7.4	8.5	9.6	9.8	11.0
(as % of GDP)	52.7	52.9	53.7	54.1	54.6

N.B: Services sector includes Trade, Hotels and Restaurant, Transport, Storage and Communication, financing, insurance, real estate and business services and community, social and personal services. The growth rate is in 1999-2000 prices while the share of service sector in the GDP is in current prices.

Source: Based on information available from Central Statistical Organisation.

(b) There is no centralized system of assessing and projecting the specific need and availability of skilled manpower in various sectors such as health, information technology, education, legal services and tourism, etc. These are studied/assessed by specialized bodies/agencies. Industry associations, trade bodies and chambers of commerce periodically estimate the need of skilled manpower in their specific areas.

Public transport infrastructure

2559. SHRI. C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Transport Ministers of Southern States, Maharashtra and Goa in a meeting held in Thiruvanthapuram have called upon the Centre to formulate a policy that lays emphasis on development of public transport infrastructure in the country;

(b) if so, whether any measures are proposed which include providing aid to the States for the purpose;

(c) if so, the details of financial aid earmarked to Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected.

Postings of surveyors of MMD

2560. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some surveyors of the Mercantile Marine Department (MMD), enjoy postings in the same port for long periods;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor;